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Class of 2019

Athens High School

What do I do now?



- **Make sure you are on track to graduate from Athens**
- **Search for colleges that are a good fit for you**
- **Know what colleges are looking for**
- **Apply to college, send your transcripts, and send your test scores**
- **Develop a plan to pay for college & search for scholarships**
- **College sports**
- **Other Options!**

Troy School District Graduation Requirements

Class of 2016 and beyond (6.2015)

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**22.5 Credits
TOTAL**

DEPARTMENT	REQUIRED CREDITS	REQUIRED COURSES AND CREDITS
ENGLISH	4.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English 9 Literature and Composition 1 and 2 or Basic - 1.0 credit English 10 Literature and Composition 1 and 2 or Basic - 1.0 credit English 11 Literature and Composition and English Elective or 11 AP - 1.0 credit English 12 Literature and Composition 1 and 2 or 12 General or 12 AP - 1.0 credit
SCIENCE	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology - 1.0 credit Chemistry or Physics or Introductory Physics - 1.0 credit Science Elective - 1.0 credit
MATHEMATICS	4.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra^a - 1.0 credit Geometry^a - 1.0 credit Algebra 2^a or Fundamentals of Algebra 2 A & B - 1.0 credit (may be met through CTE program completion (OTech)) Math Elective^a - 1.0 credit <p>^aHigh school math credits may be earned in middle school, but 4 credits of math must be earned while enrolled in high school</p> <p>^aA full year of math or math-related credit must be taken during final year of high school. In the final year, a math-related course counts toward 4.0 required math credit.</p>
SOCIAL STUDIES	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World History & Geography 1 & 2 - 1.0 credit American History & Geography 1 and 2 - 1.0 credit Economics - 0.5 credit Government / Civics - 0.5 credit
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	1.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intro to P.E. - 0.5 credit P.E. Elective - 0.5 credit
HEALTH	0.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health - 0.5 credit
WORLD LANGUAGE, FINE & APPLIED ARTS, CTE	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.0 credits World Language (non-sequential is OK) or 1.0 World Language along with 1.0 CTE or +1.0 FAA 1.0 credit that must be earned in visual/performing or applied arts <p>^aApplied Arts may include Industrial Technology, Business & Life Skills classes</p>
ONLINE LEARNING EXPERIENCE	0.0	A 20-hour online learning experience is required for graduation. This is a non-credit requirement embedded in Troy classroom experiences throughout middle and high school.
STATE ASSESSMENTS	0.0	Participation in State of Michigan required assessments administered during high school.
MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS - HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES	N/A	Credit bearing high school courses taken prior to high school matriculation will appear on a student's high school transcript including the grades earned for the course. High school courses may be retaken for any reason prior to or concurrent with the next course in sequence. Retaken course grade shall replace initial course grade unless prior administrative approval is granted.



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GPA

- [Click "College Application Requirements"](#)
- **ATHENS DOES NOT RANK STUDENTS**

TEST SCORE(S)

- [SAT/ACT](#)
- Colleges will always look at your best test score, no matter how many times you took it
- Most schools require you scores to be sent directly from SAT/ACT. Check with each school

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Volunteering, sports, clubs, jobs, etc.

ESSAYS

- Be sure to proofread your essays and have someone else (teacher, friend, family member) read them as well. Not all school require essays.

LETTER(S) OF RECOMMENDATION

- Provide your recommender with enough time to prepare a great letter (at least two weeks)
- Provide a completed "Senior Questionnaire" or "Brag Sheet"
- Be sure to thank your recommender!

Apply to college

APPLICATION

- Google search each college you would like to apply to
- Look for “apply now” or “freshmen application”
- Complete your applications ASAP! Try to have them in by **Halloween!**
- Apply to 3-5 colleges
- Consider on-site interviews at Athens!



**Send your
transcript**

PARCHMENT



COMMON APP

- If you are filling out the Common App (NOT ALL SCHOOLS USE THE COMMON APP) your counselor will upload a transcript for you, to that/those specific school(s) ONLY
- University of Michigan utilizes the Common App

Sending your test scores

SOME SCHOOLS REQUIRE THAT YOU SEND YOUR TEST SCORES DIRECTLY FROM THE TESTING AGENCY

DOUBLE CHECK WITH EACH SCHOOL TO SEE IF IT IS REQUIRED

- **SEND SCORES FROM SAT**
- **SEND SCORES FROM ACT**

AP TEST SCORES/CREDIT

- **AP CREDIT POLICY SEARCH**

Develop a plan to pay for college

SEARCH FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

**EVERYONE SHOULD FILL OUT
THE FAFSA (FREE APPLICATION
FOR FEDERAL STUDENT)**

**The application is online and will be
available to fill out starting October 1st**

Playing sports in college?

Students who might participate in a varsity sport in college needs to register with the [NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER](#)

Be sure to talk with your counselor about your NCAA approved courses at Athens



**Not planning on going to a 4
year school?**

Other Options

- Community College- OCC
- Workforce
- Apprenticeships
- Gap Year
- Military
- Trade School

Where the best jobs will
be by 2017

6 of Today's Most In-Demand
Jobs



Questions?